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Classified By: Political Minister-Counselor W. Michael Meserve for reasons 1.4(b) and (d)

11. (C) Embassy shared reftel points with MOFA First Middle East Division Principal Deputy Director Akihiro Tsuji who advises that Japan's delegation to the March 2 Sharm al-Sheikh conference will be led by State Secretary for Foreign Affairs Shintaro Ito, and that Japan will pledge 19.5 billion yen (approximately USD 200 million.) This will be in addition to already-extended emergency assistance to Gaza in the amount of USD 10 million.

12. (C) Tsuji noted that the main purpose of these funds will be to strengthen the Palestinian Authority and to lead to the eventual creation of a Palestinian state that encompasses both the West Bank and Gaza. Accordingly, the funds contributed are not solely for the reconstruction of Gaza. The breakdown of how these funds will be disbursed and through which organizations has yet to be determined, but money will not be given to Hamas to control.  
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